

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Kanji HATA et al.

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COMPONENT MOUNTING APPARATUS AND
METHOD, AND COMPONENT MOUNTING EQUIPMENT

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AMENDMENT

THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED
TO CHARGE ANY DEFICIENCY IN THE
FEE FOR THIS PAPER TO DEPOSIT
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents,
Washington, D.C.

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of January 30, 2001, the period for response having been extended for three (3) months by the attached petition, please amend the present application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend the claims as follows:

8. (Four Times Amended) A component mounting apparatus comprising:
a pair of component supply tables for accommodating a plurality of components, said component supply tables being arranged on opposite sides of a board mounting position;